

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Takeshi (nmi) Hoshida et al.
Serial No.: 09/853,323
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Group Art Unit: 2633
Confirmation No.: 5870
Examiner: Agustin Bello
Title: Method and System for Transmitting Information in an
Optical Communication System Using Distributed
Amplification

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

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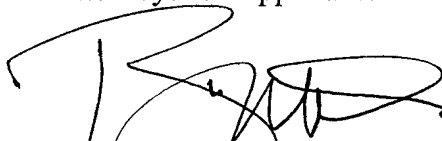
Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner mailed July 7, 2006 finally rejecting Claims 1-26.

This application is filed on behalf of a large entity.

REMARKS

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